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## PREFACE

The Directory of Interim Committees was originally published by the Legislative Council each biennium simply as a list of members of interim study committees. However, there are many other legislative committees in existence, a listing of which seemed to be much in demand.

We have attempted to compile the names, membership, statutory or other citation, and purpose or mandate of each legislative committee that will be active over the next biennium. In addition, we have included names and telephone numbers of staff.

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We hope you find the Directory useful, and we appreciate comments and/or suggestions.

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\* Please note that at this writing some interim subcommittees have not yet organized and elected chairmen and vice-chairmen. This information will appear in the Interim Newsletter.



INTERIM SUBCOMMITTEES



## INTRODUCTION

by Robert Person

### Inception of an Interim Study Subcommittee

A study is first requested in a Joint Resolution adopted by the Legislature. The use of the Joint Resolution for this purpose is authorized by Joint Rule 6-1(2)(b) on page 22 of the Joint Rules. Section 5-5-217 of the Montana Code Annotated requires the Legislative Council to prepare a list of study resolutions adopted and distribute it to all the legislators with a request that the studies be prioritized. This happens immediately after the session. Following the requirements of the same section of law, the Legislative Council then designates the subcommittees to which studies are to be assigned. The Speaker and the Committee on Committees then appoint members. Section 5-5-211 of the Code provides that four members of each house be appointed. No more than two members from a House may be from one political party.

### Assignment of Staff

The Research and Reference Services Division of the Legislative Council has primary responsibility for providing staff support to the interim subcommittees. A principal staff member is assigned to each subcommittee from among the research staff. Assignments are based upon the experience, training, other work requirements, and interests of the several staff members. In addition to the researcher, the Council assigns one of the staff attorneys from the Legal Services Division to provide legal support to the principal staffer and to the subcommittee. This attorney is available to provide legal advice and research. The Legislative Council is further authorized by section 5-11-111 of the Code to employ the services of any research agency it considers necessary to discharge its duties.

### Calling the First Meeting

There is no rule or law that governs how the first meeting should be called. Tradition and protocol have dictated that the senior senator appointed to the interim subcommittee will serve as acting chairman for the purpose of calling the first meeting and presiding over the selection of a permanent chairman. In practice, the acting chairman and staff work together to find a date as convenient as possible for the members and staff.

### Selecting the Chair

The selection of subcommittee officers is the first order of business for an interim subcommittee. Section 5-5-213 provides that each subcommittee shall elect its chairman and vice-chairman from among its members. The chairman and vice-chairman may not be members of the same political party.

### Conducting the Study

The study, its direction, content, and conclusions are those of the subcommittee rather than the staff. The purpose of the staff is to assist the subcommittee to conduct the best study possible. Staff plays as large or small a role in the process as the subcommittee desires. Staff does its best to assist the subcommittee to accomplish the interim study purpose of pursuing assigned public policy questions so as to discover all facts relevant to the question, to discuss and evaluate those facts, and to formulate policy recommendations representing the synthesis of those facts and political judgments. It is a duty of staff to present a proposed study design and work plan to the subcommittee for its consideration at the first meeting. Depending on how clear and focused the study resolution is, this staff effort may be sufficient to guide the study. In other cases, the subcommittee may have to give considerable time and thought to perfecting the plan. In any event, it is finally a subcommittee responsibility to adopt a plan and a subcommittee prerogative as to what the plan contains.

### Subcommittee Budget

The number of meetings a subcommittee can hold is dependent on its budget. Its budget is a share of the total \$50,000 appropriated to the Legislative Council to support such activities. A budget allocation will be determined following adoption of work plans. The budget allocation thus may become a process of negotiation between the Legislative Council and the subcommittees over limited resources.

### Submission of Final Report

At the completion of a study the staff will prepare a final report for the subcommittee that will contain a recount of what the subcommittee found in its study, supporting documents as required, and copies of legislation recommended for adoption by the subcommittee. Sufficient copies are printed to meet the anticipated demand for distribution to the Legislature and members of the public as well as libraries and interstate groups who follow such things.



JOINT INTERIM SUBCOMMITTEE NUMBER 1

Study Resolution: HJR 35, Agricultural Land Taxation

Joint Interim Subcommittee Number 1 is assigned to study classification, evaluation, and assessment aspects of agricultural land for tax purposes. The Subcommittee is also charged with examining the administrative rules associated with agricultural land taxation, including tax computation methods.

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Richey MT 59259  
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JOINT INTERIM SUBCOMMITTEE NUMBER 2

Study Resolution: HJR 36, Navigability

HJR 36 requests an interim study of the rights and responsibilities of both landowners adjacent to public land and waterways and the public to access and use of public land and waterways. The study will include an investigation into whether existing definitions of the terms relevant to the subject of navigability are adequate, attempt to establish the liabilities of landowners and recreationists, and identify means of improving and resolving questions of access to navigable waterways. Further, the study shall attempt to find means to minimize and perhaps resolve the ever-growing conflicts between landowners and recreationists.

Study Resolution: HJR 40, State Lands

Under HJR 40, the Legislature requested that an interim subcommittee review the administration of state lands with particular attention to the management of forest resources. The object is to determine the relationship between the management costs and the return to the state and the long-term benefits from the property. The interim subcommittee is requested to inquire into the costs of fire protection on the forest lands of the state, particularly those protected by the United States.

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## JOINT INTERIM SUBCOMMITTEE NUMBER 3

### Study Resolution: SJR 25, Court Unification

SJR 25 requires an interim subcommittee to study the creation of a unified court system in Montana. Tasks assigned to the subcommittee include defining the powers, duties, and responsibilities of a unified court system and exploring alternative methods for funding the system. The subcommittee will also examine the role of existing entities, such as the Montana Supreme Court and the Office of the Court Administrator, in a unified system.

### Study Resolution: HJR 4, State Investments

HJR 4 asks that options and alternatives for investments of state funds be explored and that the cost of operating the state investment system be compared with other states and with private organizations. The interim subcommittee is also asked to study the management of state investments and the impact of inflation on the value of the state's assets.

### Study Resolution: HJR 29, Insurance Laws

HJR 29 requires an interim subcommittee to study the marketing practices of the insurance industry and the insurance laws of the State of Montana. The study is to focus on mandatory liability coverage for motor vehicles or their operators and on distinctions in the scope, coverage, terms, rates, and benefits offered to consumers in all areas of the insurance industry on the basis of their sex.

### Study Resolution: HJR 44, Public Pensions

HJR 44 requires an interim subcommittee to study methods to assist the Legislature in decisionmaking concerning public employee retirement systems. The focus of the subcommittee's study will be on mechanisms or procedures to permit the Legislature to monitor the administration of the retirement systems, to develop an expertise in the field of public pensions, to adopt a state pension policy, and to review proposed legislation relating to retirement system.

Subcommittee Membership:

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## JOINT INTERIM SUBCOMMITTEE NUMBER 4

### Study Resolution: HJR 41, Employment Preference

HJR 41 requests an interim subcommittee to study Montana's employment preference laws concerning veterans, veterans' spouses and dependents, and disabled civilians in order to clarify the preference laws to set public policy on this subject. Specifically, the interim subcommittee is directed to identify ambiguities or omissions in the current laws, to determine whether the preference conflicts with the rights of other groups, and to decide what purpose the preference laws should serve and to what extent they should be applied.

### Study Resolution: HJR 43, Teacher Tenure

HJR 43 requests that an interim subcommittee study the public school teacher tenure laws in Montana. The study is to focus on the substantive and procedural scope of the tenure provisions, the fiscal restraints and uncertainties that affect school districts in the application of the tenure laws, and due process and collective bargaining alternatives to the present teacher tenure laws.

### Study Resolution: HJR 45, Community Colleges

HJR 45 requests an interim subcommittee to clarify the role, scope, and function of community colleges in the public education system of the State of Montana. The study is to focus on the structure of governance of the community colleges; the funding structure of community colleges to determine the appropriate and necessary levels of state and federal support; the facility needs and methods of financing necessary facilities; and the integral relationship of community colleges to other state agencies and institutions in an effort to promote articulation and reduce unnecessary duplication of programs.

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ADMINISTRATIVE CODE COMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 14, MCA

The Administrative Code Committee was established in 1975 as a permanent joint committee to review all proposed rules, amendments, and rule repeals filed with the Secretary of State under the Montana Administrative Procedure Act (Title 2, Chapter 4, MCA). The powers of the Committee are set forth in Title 2, Chapter 4, Part 4, MCA. The Administrative Code Committee has also been given the duty to review, by January 1, 1987, all administrative rules adopted prior to the creation of the Committee in 1975 (Ch. 64, L. 1983).

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CAPITOL BUILDING AND PLANNING COMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 17, MCA

The Capitol Building and Planning Committee was created in 1971 and reorganized in 1979 to establish and maintain a master plan for the orderly development of state buildings in Helena. Chapter 608, Laws of 1981, increased the size of the Committee and expanded the Committee's responsibilities concerning renovation and remodeling of the Capitol. Under Chapter 700, L. 1983, all four non-legislative Committee members became non-voting members.

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Chairman  
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## COAL TAX OVERSIGHT SUBCOMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Chapter 619, Laws of 1979, Chapter 587, Laws of 1981, and Chapter 695, Laws of 1983

The Coal Tax Oversight Subcommittee of the Revenue Oversight Committee was established by Chapter 619, Laws of 1979, through the biennium ending June 30, 1981. The Subcommittee was continued to June 30, 1983, by Chapter 587, Laws of 1981. Chapter 695, Laws of 1983, made the Subcommittee permanent. The Subcommittee reviews programs financed by coal severance tax funds and considers other matters relating to coal taxation. The Subcommittee reports and makes recommendations to the Revenue Oversight Committee; however, members of the Subcommittee are not members of the Revenue Oversight Committee.

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REVENUE OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 18, MCA

The Revenue Oversight Committee was created in 1979 to review proposed rules of the Department of Revenue and exercise legislative oversight over that Department. The Committee also investigates and reports on any other matters concerning taxation. During the 1983-1985 biennium, the Committee will be investigating the property tax classification system (HJR 31) and various aspects of state and federal tax credits, deductions, exemptions, and exclusions (SJR 23).

Committee Membership:

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SELECT COMMITTEE ON INDIAN AFFAIRS

Statutory Citation: HJR 19, Laws of 1983

With the passage of HJR 19 and an appropriation for \$7,000 contained in HB 447, the 1983 Legislature authorized the appointment of the fourth in a series of interim legislative committees concerning Indian affairs. HJR 19 directs the 1983-1984 Select Committee on Indian Affairs to encourage tribal/state and tribal/local government cooperation, to act as a liaison between the Indian people and the Legislature, to hold hearings to promote better understanding between the tribes and public agencies, and to encourage participation of Indian people at Committee meetings.

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PERMANENT LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES



## ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY COUNCIL

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 16, MCA

The Environmental Quality Council (EQC) is required to review and appraise state programs and activities related to the environment to insure compliance with the Montana Environmental Policy Act (Title 75, Chapter 1, MCA). The EQC is composed of four House members, four Senate members, and four public members. A representative of the Governor's Office serves as a nonvoting member.

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Vice-Chairman  
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721-5700 (business)

Rep. Dave Brown  
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Sen. Dorothy Eck  
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## LEGISLATIVE AUDIT COMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 13, MCA

The Legislative Audit Committee appoints a Legislative Auditor who, with a staff of about 60, audits the financial affairs of each state agency and other organizations receiving state funds. The audit staff also conducts program audits to test the efficiency and effectiveness of agencies in administering governmental programs. The audit staff is responsible for the conduct of sunset audits as revised by Chapter 321, Laws of 1983. That chapter eliminated the statutory termination schedule and established a procedure for specifying agencies and programs to be reviewed.

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LEGISLATIVE CONSUMER COMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 15, MCA

The Legislative Consumer Committee appoints a Consumer Counsel who represents Montana's public utility and transportation consumers before the Public Service Commission, state and federal courts, and administrative agencies in matters concerning companies regulated by the Public Service Commission.

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## LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 11, MCA

The Legislative Council is Montana's general legislative services agency. The Legislative Council provides management, legal research, accounting, and code publishing services to the Legislature as follows:

The Management and Business Services Division maintains all bookkeeping records; prepares all legislative claims and payrolls; requisitions all printing, supplies, and equipment; and serves the House and Senate during a legislative session.

The Research and Reference Services Division and the Legal Services Division have many of the same responsibilities. Both divisions perform general and specialized research and reference and information functions. Staff members from both divisions may assist in the preparation of the Legislative Review, staff legislative committees during the session and throughout the interim, draft legislation, prepare legislative and staff reports, and provide information on the legislative process to the public.

During the interim, the Legal Services Division is primarily responsible for publication and updating of the Montana Code Annotated. The Legal Services Division is also responsible for the review of all administrative rules and regulations promulgated by executive agencies. The Research and Reference Services Division is primarily responsible for interim subcommittee staffing.

The Research and Reference Services Division maintains a reference library containing items of special interest to legislators and legislative staff. The library maintains a liaison with other libraries to help make information available as quickly as possible.

The Legislative Services Division is responsible for clerical preparation of introduced bills, for engrossing and enrolling of bills, and for printing and mailing of the bills. This division uses a computerized word processing system in order to operate with a high degree of effectiveness and accuracy with a relatively small staff of copy editors, typists, and proofreaders. This division is also responsible for publication of the legislative journals, the combined final status, a numerical compilation of code sections affected by the session laws, the final session laws, and the Montana Code Annotated.

The Code Commissioner supervises the continuing codification, indexing, rearranging, and general updating of the Code.

Annotations, including case notes to federal and state court decisions and other material useful to MCA users, are published separately from the statutes in a pamphlet format that may be easily updated.

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## LEGISLATIVE FINANCE COMMITTEE

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 12, MCA

The Legislative Finance Committee employs a Legislative Fiscal Analyst and staff whose duties are to provide information bearing upon the financial matters of state government, estimate revenue from state taxes, analyze the executive budget, and generally assist the Legislature in all matters of compiling and analyzing financial information.

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OTHER INTERIM COMMITTEES



State of Montana: Billings, MT 59101

On May 1, 1980, the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, in its effort to protect the Montana Riverway's valuable share of Clark Fork River water, will enter into the Yellowstone River Compact. The Compact will cooperate with the Department to conduct research with other Wyoming officials regarding the feasibility of conducting future riparian projects that would mutually satisfy the present and future needs of both states.

#### Admitted Membership:

Rep. Carroll Graham  
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1. The Committee is composed of the following members:

The Committee on Power Planning, created by Public Law 95-113, 91st Congress, 1st Session, 1969, attached a request for the Department of the Interior and Conservation Planning Council to conduct a study and report on the Committee's request to develop a plan for the Pacific Northwest, which includes the development of Montana's potential for the Continental Division. The Committee is requested to prepare the expenses of the Committee. The Committee is requested to meet with Montana's representatives on the Committee to review the plan, power plan and existing state law. The Committee is requested to submit to the 49th Legislature, 1975, a bill, if necessary, together with its recommendations for action, if necessary, necessary and desirable to implement the plan for Montana.

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## PRISON EXPANSION OVERSIGHT COMMITTEE

Statutory Authority: HB 900, Laws of 1983

Public Law 900, L. 1983, which appropriated bond proceeds for expansion of Montana State Prison and other capital projects, authorized a four-member legislative committee to cooperate regularly with and advise those persons responsible for implementing and planning the major expansion of the Prison. The Committee is directed to: participate in the preliminary screening and recommendation of an architect to perform design work; monitor the development of plans and advise the planner as to whether plans meet the goals and objectives of the Legislature as outlined in HB 900; and file a report with the 45th Legislature on its activities, including any analysis or recommendations it may have. The appropriation for Prison expansion in HB 900 contains funds to reimburse committee members while engaged in authorized Committee business.

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INTERSTATE COOPERATION ORGANIZATIONS



THE COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS  
(CSG)

Statutory Citation: Title 5, Chapter 11, Part 3, MCA

The Legislative Council is designated by 5-11-301, MCA, as the Montana Commission on Interstate Cooperation and, as such, a member of the Council of State Governments, an organization of all the states and territories of the U.S. The primary mission of CSG is to promote and strengthen state government in the American federal system by providing staff services to organizations of state officials. More specifically, Montana is a member of the Western (Legislative) Conference (13 states) of CSG. The purpose of the Conference is to foster and encourage intergovernmental cooperation in the West through joint consideration of common problems. The basic work of the Conference is accomplished through study committees.

Membership in the Council of State Governments also provides for Montana membership in the Western Governor's Conference and the Conference of Western Attorneys General.

The Joint Rules Committee of the Montana Legislature, on April 20, 1983, approved the appointment of CSG committee members by the Legislative Council, after consultation with the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. The Legislative Council appointed five legislators to CSG committees and chose five alternate members. They have two-year terms. Travel funds for the biennium are limited to \$15,000 (HB 447, L. 1983). The Council allocated the funds equally to each committee.

Staff: The Western Office staffs the Western Conference of CSG, the Western Governor's Conference, and the Conference of Western Attorneys General. State legislative staff also assist in the work of the Western Conference on a selective, time-limited basis.

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MONTANA COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP 1983 - 1984

WESTERN CONFERENCE  
OF  
COUNCIL OF STATE GOVERNMENTS

CSG Governing Board

Each state is asked to appoint two legislators, one from each House of the Legislature.

The CSG Governing Board is the organizational policy-setting and operational oversight body for the national organization.

Montana Members:

No appointments

Western Conference Executive Committee

The Executive Committee is composed of legislative leadership from each state and serves as the interim governing body between annual meetings. It is the primary organizational policy-setting and operational oversight body for the Conference.

Montana Members:

Rep. Bob Marks  
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Energy Development and Conservation Committee

This Committee will examine the array of new energy developments and their regional implications (e.g., Clean Air Act renewal and proposed EPA visibility regulations, the Surface Mining Control and Reclamation Act, the National Energy Partnership Act, the Energy Mobilization Board, and the Synfuels Corporation) and assess the conflicts and trade-offs between environmental quality, rapid population growth, resource development, and demands for water. It will also monitor and report on conservation efforts and international energy related developments.

Montana Members:

No appointments

### Fiscal Affairs and Federalism Committee

This Committee will research and analyze major federal, state, and local fiscal trends and policies. This will include the implications for states of new federalism developments, shifts in tax policy, and new revenue sources. The Committee will also explore state cash management practices, debt and pension management, and international trade policies.

#### Montana Members:

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### Hazardous Materials Committee

This Committee will study certain provisions of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (and regulations) superfund legislation, and state roles and responsibilities in the generation, use, packaging, handling, storage and ultimate disposal of hazardous substances in the region. It will also work on interstate compacts within the region for waste transport and disposal.

#### Montana Members:

No appointments

### Public Lands Committee

This Committee will analyze the multiple issues involved in current public lands ownership policies and management practices, including wilderness designations, in-lieu lands, rangelands management, grazing and checkerboard lands, privatization, and land exchanges; it will identify and analyze alternative strategies for improving public lands.

#### Montana Members:

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### Public Protection Committee

This committee will examine the nature of increasing prison violence in the Western States by studying the multiple criminal justice system forces at work, including recent court decisions, changes in sentencing laws, inmate overcrowding and idleness,

facilities' conditions, construction and security, prison personnel salaries, training and management procedures, and prisoner education and work program.

Montana Members:

No appointments

#### Transportation Committee

This Committee will focus on the growing problems associated with highway funding and construction, on interstate cooperation through the Multistate Highway Transportation Agreement, and on the transportation of hazardous materials. The purpose of the Committee is to develop alternative ways to increase Western States highway funding in light of lower gas revenues; to expand the number of states participating in the Multi-State Highway Transportation Agreement; and to propose improved handling, manifesting and transportation of hazardous material.

Montana Members:

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Rep. John Harp, Alternate  
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#### Water Policy Committee

This Committee will track water resource allocation, quantification, and adjudication developments; analyze competing demands for water resources in the West; monitor funding of federal and state water projects; and keep abreast of national legislation affecting Western water policy. The primary purpose is to establish an effective Western legislative voice in national and regional water resource policy.

Montana Members:

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NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES  
(NCSL)

Statutory Citation: None

The purpose of the National Conference of State Legislatures (NCSL) is to improve the quality and effectiveness of state legislatures, to assure the states a strong voice in federal decisionmaking, and to foster interstate communication and cooperation.

As the designated Commission on Interstate Cooperation, the Legislative Council has traditionally appointed the Montana members of NCSL committees. The Joint Rules Committee of the Montana Legislature, on April 20, 1983, approved the appointment of NCSL committee members by the Legislative Council, after consultation with the Speaker of the House and the President of the Senate. The Legislative Council appointed seven legislators to NCSL committees and chose seven alternate members. They have two-year terms. Travel funds for the biennium are limited to \$25,000 (HB 447, L. 1983). The Council allocated the funds equally to each committee. Travel funds for the Committee On Energy will be provided by the Legislative Consumer Committee or other sources rather than from NCSL travel funds.

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MONTANA COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP  
1983 - 1984

NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF STATE LEGISLATURES

Committees of the State-Federal Assembly

The State-Federal Assembly, consisting of 10 committees, each of which may have up to 99 members, was formed to:

- 1) determine policies to guide lobby efforts and to encourage state legislative action before Congress;
- 2) provide legislators to testify before Congress;
- 3) provide legislators to serve on advisory panels; and

- 4) provide legislators to meet with White House and Executive Branch officials.

Policy positions are developed through review and investigation by each committee.

#### Committee on Agriculture, Food Policy and Nutrition

Export of agricultural products, farm credit, Farmers Home Administration, farm prices, costs and price supports, federal and state meat inspection, foreign ownership of farm lands, insect infestations and animal disease, rural development and the farm economy, rural transportation, and soil and water conservation programs.

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#### Committee on Education and Job Training

Elementary and secondary education; higher education; financing for public education; adult and vocational education; special education; compensatory education; CETA; youth and manpower development and training; and other developmental programs.

Montana Members:

No appointments

#### Committee on Energy

Appliance standards, Clean Air Act (shared with Natural Resources Committee), coal issues, emergency preparedness, energy conservation, energy exploration, energy taxation, federal budget and block grants, geothermal, hydroelectric, shale, solar and renewables issues, impact assistance, international energy activities impact on states, mining natural gas, nuclear power, nuclear waste, settlement moneys, and utility issues.

Montana Members:

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### Committee on Government Operations

Financial concerns, including intergovernmental tax and revenue issues; overall federal budget issues; fiscal assistance program; banking and insurance issues; management concerns, including intergovernmental relations and joint administrative oversight; labor management issues; dispute resolution; federal mandates and regulatory reform.

Montana Members:

No appointments

### Committee on Housing and Economic Development

Community development and housing, particularly in urban areas; economic development in urban areas; tax-exempt financing; intergovernmental fiscal affairs.

Montana Members:

No appointments

### Committee on Human Resources

Aging issues, aliens, elderly programs, food stamps, handicapped issues, health maintenance and prevention issues, hospital cost containment, human services programs, income security and maintenance programs, long term care, low income energy assistance, medical assistance and care programs, nutrition programs, refugees, social services, welfare and welfare related programs.

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### Committee on Law and Justice

Constitutional issues and amendments; criminal justice systems, including police, courts, and corrections systems; standards and goals for criminal justice systems; economic crime; consumer protection programs and mechanisms; and criminal code revision.

Montana Members:

No appointments

### Committee on Natural Resources and the Environment

Acid rain, clean air, clean water, environment and natural resource program appropriations, groundwater management, hazardous waste management, hazardous waste site cleanup (superfund), low-level radioactive waste management, siting of new hazardous waste facilities, transportation of hazardous materials, wastewater treatment plant construction programs, and water resource management.

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### Committee on Pensions

Annual disclosure standards reports, cost of living adjustments, early retirement, ERISA, fiscal notes (actuarial valuations), fiduciary standards, federal pension system, IRA provisions, IRS regulations, PERISA, state benefit and contribution levels, social security and tax laws pertaining to pensions.

#### Montana Members:

No appointments

### Committee on Transportation and Communications

Airports, bridges, cable television, deep water ports, highway finance, highway programs, highway trust fund, mass transit, state railroad rehabilitation, telephone issues, transportation issues (generally), and users fees.

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## COMMITTEES OF THE ASSEMBLY ON THE LEGISLATURE

The Assembly on the Legislature provides a forum for consideration of issues internal to state legislatures and state government. It is composed of six committees. Members of the six committees are automatically members of the Assembly. Both legislators and legislative staff are eligible for membership on the Assembly's committees. The Assembly and its six committees meet approximately three times each year, including once at the NCSL annual meeting.

### Arts and Historic Preservation Committee

The Committee's mission is to help state legislatures identify the links between the interests of the states and those of the arts. Several priority areas for study have been identified. The first is how the arts further the economic development of communities by enhancing tourism, corporate location decisions, employment, tax roles, and urban revitalization. Encouraging partnerships between the public and private sectors and levels of government to support the arts is another priority issue along with arts and education. To share its findings, the Committee is continuing to distribute its guidebook, Arts and the States.

Montana Members:

No appointments

### Commerce, Labor and Economic Development Committee

This is a new committee which was created by expanding the role and responsibilities of the Regulatory Improvement Committee. As part of its efforts during the upcoming year, the Committee will concentrate on the relationship between regulatory reform and economic development. The Committee will also examine state economic development programs with an emphasis on identifying those that are innovative and successful. Another major topic to be studied is small business.

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### Fiscal Affairs and Oversight Committee

The Fiscal Affairs and Oversight Committee is concerned with appropriations issues, revenues and taxation, and legislative budget oversight mechanisms. During its four scheduled meetings in 1983, the Committee will examine the following topics: selecting the proper mix of taxes in the state/local system;

issues in infrastructure financing; the pros and cons of contracting out government services; maximization of revenue collections; financing care for the medically indigent; budgeting for state computer services; user fees; financing higher education; the cumulative effects of tax preferences; financing unemployment compensation; and budgeting for job service programs. The Committee will also be finalizing a paper it is writing, entitled "A Legislator's Guide to Budget Oversight After the Appropriations Bill Has Passed".

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Legislative Organization and Management Committee

The Legislative Organization and Management Committee is responsible for studying problems and concerns dealing with the operations, composition, and powers of state legislatures. Its jurisdiction includes legislative structure and management, rules and procedure, leadership, committee operations, staffing, information sources, constitutional issues, elections, and ethics. In the coming year, the Committee will focus its attention on ways to deal with the rising costs of political campaigns and in particular the role of political action committees, the erosion of state political parties, and the regulation of fair campaign practices.

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Science, Technology and Resource Planning Committee

The Science, Technology and Resource Planning Committee's activities this year will focus on the role of technical education in the development of advanced technology industries and on several natural resources subjects. Other areas that are under consideration for Committee investigation include acid rain, nuclear power plant decommissioning, hazardous materials transportation, and electricity supply and demand.

Montana Members:

No appointments

State Government Issues and Organization Committee

The State Government Issues and Organization Committee is a new committee. It was created to identify emerging issues in the states, to examine issues which have primarily a state focus, and to highlight innovative and unique state solutions to these issues. This year, the Committee is planning two major projects: 1) an exploration of state solutions to the prison overcrowding issue with a particular emphasis on the effects of various sentencing options on prison crowding; and 2) long-term care with a concentration on programs which states have developed as alternatives to nursing homes.

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WESTERN STATES LEGISLATIVE FORESTRY TASK FORCE

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The Western States Legislative Forestry Task Force is a group of legislators from Alaska, California, Idaho, Montana, Oregon, Washington, and Wyoming. Each session the Legislature is required to pass a resolution if it wishes to continue membership on this task force which acts as a clearinghouse of information affecting the maintenance and utilization of all forest lands in the West.

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# MONTANA SALARY COMMISSION

Statutory Citation: Article XIII, Section 3, Montana Constitution; Sections 2-16-401 and 2-16-402, MCA.

The eight-member Salary Commission recommends to the Legislature compensation for the Judiciary and elected members of the Legislative and Executive Branches.

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